10 Years of Journey

- By *Rev. RM Dravyam*

Mobilize partners:

Introduce the GPM to people and get them to share the burden for and need of the urgency to present the Gospel of our Lord, to the people of our land.

Make disciples:

Create an awareness for the need to make disciples of Christ.

Multiply indigenous Churches:

Not mere buildings, but the real laity (God's people) of God, who will receive the wholesome blessings from our Lord and in turn become channels of such immeasurable blessings to others.

FLASH BACK – CHRISTIANITY IN INDIA

How Gospel of Jesus Christ came to India

- Saint Thomas in AD 52 came to India and preached the Gospel and was martyred in AD 72 and the Indian Church was established
- Roman Catholic Missionaries came during 15th Century from Europe and established many congregations in the southern peninsula
- Protestant Missionaries during 18th Century onwards came from US, Europe & Australia and established congregations all over the country.
- Now, the Indian believers are spreading the Good News from the beginning of the 20th Century
- Yet, only 800 people groups reached out of 4635.

For a country with 1100 million People and only 3% Christians to reach the 97% of Population!!!!

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ABOUT US

- GPM is a flame lighted in India on 3rd October, 1999
- By experienced Missionaries, Church and Mission Leaders
- At Church of South India, Webb Memorial Church, Madurai, South India

Vision of the unreached people groups shared by Mr.Pitchamuthu Samuel

Mission

- Focusing on receptive people groups, yet unreached.
- To raise more native missionaries to reach their own people groups.
- Planting indigenous Churches.
- Training indigenous leadership for the Church and society.
- Holistic development of the believers.
- To work in partnership with other mission agencies to complete the task.

Vision

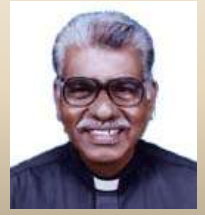
- To add at least 2000 converts, 40 Congregations, 20 more fields
- To add 25 Missionaries, & find 25 more permanent sponsor groups
- Plan to add at least 25 more Church buildings
- Plan to have a training centre in Gujarat, Jharkhand, Maharashtra to train in their native language.
- Construct Children's Homes in Jharkhand - 1, Maharashtra -2, & Gujarat -2
- Add 200 more sponsors for the tribal children support.

Yearly

Founder & Successor:

- *The Founder of GPM the Rev. Dr. Samuel Devadason,*
- *A highly qualified Missiologist*
- *Who spent his whole life equipping several young people*
- *To reach the un-reached people groups of our land.*

- *Then Rev. R.M Dravyam stepped into his shoes in 2004 September*
- *Master in Political Science with 50 years of experience*
- *In Scripture Union, Pastoral Ministry, Area Chairman, & Bishop's Chaplain in Madras Diocese*



"He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose" -- Jim Elliot

WHY IN INDIA

No one can quench this spreading flame

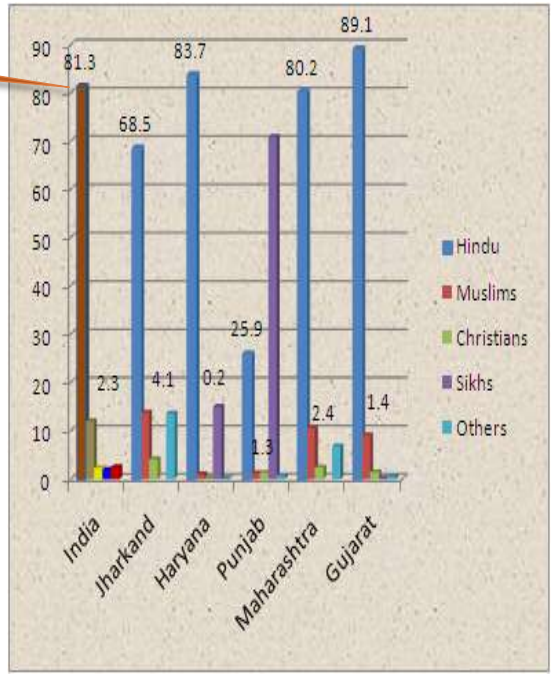
Because

- 4635 people groups in India
- Christian witness is seen in only about 800 people groups.
- A large number of people in India have never heard the Gospel even once.
- If we concentrate our efforts among responsive people groups and effect total transformation, it will ignite further people movements to Christ resulting in a chain reaction.
- The Gospel will spread in our nation like wild fire.
- No one can quench this expansion, this spreading flame.

With Doctrine

- We believe in one God, the creator of everything. The Lord Jesus Christ, His only Son who suffered death on the cross and rose again on the third day is the only way to the Father. The Holy Spirit who was poured out on the Day of Pentecost is to live in the hearts of all believers and lead them in the way of righteousness.
- We believe in the total depravity of all humans requiring redemption through Jesus Christ.
- We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ who initiated the Kingdom of God will come again to receive all the believers and consummate the Kingdom.
- We believe in One, Holy, Universal and Apostolic Church called to witness and worship the triune God and the baptism and the Lord's Supper are the two sacraments given for the Spiritual nurture of the people of God who are called to demonstrate their commitment by compassionate service to the needs of all people.
- We believe in the Old and New Testaments as given in the Original languages is infallible Word of God sufficient for faith and conduct of all His people.
- We believe that every believer is required to share the good news of Jesus Christ to every human and thus fulfill the great commission of our Savior.

India/State-wise Christianity



"Someone asked *Will the heathen who have never heard the Gospel be saved?* It is more a question with me whether we -- who have the Gospel and fail to give it to those who have not -- can be saved." -- Charles Spurgeon

WHERE IN INDIA

Punjab & Haryana
Population – 27m + 22m
Districts – 17 + 19
Villages – 38546 + 7000
Christians – 1.3% + 0.2%

Gujarat
Population – 52m
Districts – 18
Villages – 1800
Christians – 1.35%

Dadra & Nagar Haveli
Population – 0.2 m
Districts – 1
Villages – 17
Christians – 0.1 %

Jharkhand
Population – 27m
Districts – 18
Villages – 18000
Christians – 4%

Maharashtra
Population – 104m
Districts – 33
Villages – 4041
Christians – 2.4%

People Groups

Gujarat : Kukna, Varli, Bhil, Dhodia Patel, Kolcha.
Maharashtra : Mathavada Bhill, Pawra, Kotli Bhil, Bhanjara.
Jharkand : Malto, Santhali, Das.
Punjab/ Haryana : Rai Sikhs, Majabi Sikhs, Rajputs, Kumhare, Malis, Chammars
Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli: Varli, Kukna, Dhodia and Dublas

"The People walking in darkness have seen a great light" – Isaiah 9:2

HOW ACCOMPLISHED & MILESTONES

With 4 Office bearers and 10 committee members serve honorary for the Mission of Christ

Missionaries & Evangelists	
Gujarat	61
Jharkhand	9
Maharashtra	35
Punjab & Haryana	4
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	11
Total	**120**

Milestones

Achievement in all the 5 states	
Baptized Believers	**10000**
Constructed Churches (Bricks)	**17**
Temporary Churches (Bamboos)	**14**
No. of People Groups	**20**
No. of Sunday Worship Centers	**82**
No. of children in children homes	**130**

Photos

Baptism
Churches
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Traditions

"We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God." -- John Stott

OUR PARTNERS

Name of the Partner	How Partnering
Seva Bharat	For training our Evangelists, to run adult literacy and children Bible classes.
International Cooperating Ministries	For building masonry church buildings
Caruna Bal Vikas (Indian wing of Compassion International)	For maintaining Child Development Day Care centre'

Partnerships:

- **We are indigenous in our management and personnel.**
- **The Missionaries are supported by Christians in India.**
- **Missionaries and Partners will work as one unit honoring the body of Christ.**
- **Building Churches, Training Centers and Children homes require partners**

Mission ruling over the planted churches- is contrary to biblical teaching

Church of North India support the field activities in North India
Church of South India encourages support for missionaries

"Every Moses has to find out a Joshua and every Paul, a Timothy"

PROJECTS ONGOING /PLANNED

Project	Purpose	Completion
St. Peter's Church, Fatehabad, Haryana **(Sikhs are people group who will be using this church building)**	First Church building to house 200 worshippers in this District head quarters. Foundation stone was laid on 22-2-2009. And a Community Hall to house 100 children for Sunday school and also for the Day Care Center	D.V. March 2010
Children Home, Chandana, Jharkhand State	25 children are accommodated in the near by Roman Catholic home. We are constructing part of the children home which could accommodate about 50 children.	D.V. October '09
Home for the children of migrant Laborers, Ahwa, Gujarat	Most of the believers in this area are migrant laborers involved in sugar cane harvesting. They move from place to place for 8 months in the year accompanied by their children. So the children remain illiterates. They need to be admitted in children homes and educated.	Negotiations are going on for the Land acquisition
Day Care Centre, Kodmal, Gujarat State	Large number of children in this area have no help for their studies etc. A Day Care Centre will help the children of this most backward area.	Land available Praying for this
Day Care Centre, Peith, Nasik District, Maharashtra State	25 children are accommodated in the New Home building dedicated in March 2009.	Praying for Plan approval & Partnership
Chapel and Additional Dormitory at Khergam	70 home children and 258 Day Care Center children need a chapel in the Khergam compound. Apart from this a dormitory to accommodate 40 more children to be constructed.	Praying for this

"Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God" -- William Carey

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"The gospel is only good news if it gets there in time" -- *Carl F. H. Henry*

Mobilize Partners
Make Disciples
Multiply Indigenous Churches
Gospel Partners Movement

Thank you

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. Sam Devanesam ,President

- Senior Pastor, Tamil Baptist Church
- Bible Scholar, Good Preacher

Mr. Jebasingh Jothi, Vice President

- Renowned Charted Accountant
- Serving in many Church committees.

Mr. Augustine Isaac

- Businessman by profession
- Founder member, God fearing

Mr. Rajkumar Samuel

- Renowned Lawyer
- Legal Advisor for our Ministry

Mrs. Anita Evelyn Emmanuel

- Teacher by profession
- Committee Member of local CSI Church

Mr. Joshua Chelliah

- Practising Advocate
- Supports GPM with his legal expertise

Rev. RCJ Samraj

- Retd. Pastor from CSI
- Gifted musician and good Preacher

Rev. RM Dravyam, Gen. Secretary

- Retd. Pastor from Church of South India
- Missionary Pastor, Good Preacher

Mr. PD Pandian,Treasurer

- Retd. Engineer , Founder member.
- Committed to the cause of mission.

Rev. Edwin Balasingh

- Missionary
- 35 years in Mission fields, Founder Member

Mr. Prince Wilson

- Teacher in renowned Higher Sec. School.
- Musician, and a good Preacher

Miss Helen Saroja Viola

- Teacher, dedicated Missionary
- Founder member .

Mr. Nelson Asir

- Retd., Headmaster of Higher Secondary School
- Office Bearer of Local Church

Mr. S Herald J Sither

- Working in Information Technology Industry
- Helps to manage computer related work

"only one life and it will soon be past what is done for Christ will only last "

BAPTISM

Baptism given by local CNI Pastor ,Bhoovan, Maharashtra

Baptism given at Cirsa, Haryana

Baptism at Uplat, Maharashtra

Rev. Ravi Bello giving Baptism, Dangs, Gujarat

Baptism given by local CNI Pastor at Khergam, Gujarat

Sikh convert being Baptized at Fatehabad, Haryana

Baptism at Uplat, Maharashtra

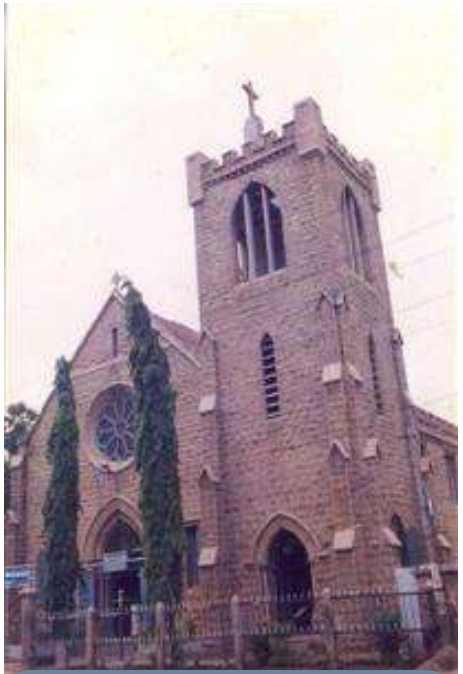
Baptism at Jalna, Maharashtra State

Rev. RM D giving Baptism in Kelpada, Maharashtra

Accomplishment

INAUGURATION OF GPM - 1999

GPM Banner 3rd Oct 1999
CSI Webb memorial Church



Inaugural Service conducted at Webb Memorial, Madurai. This church was established by American Madurai Mission

Founding church and mission leaders of GPM

Group photo inside the Church after dedication

Rt.Rev. David Eames, CSI Bishop
Rt. Rev. PP Marandih, CNI Bishop
Rev. Fred Gokavi , Pastor, Methodist

GRADUATION

Seva Bharat Evangelist Training Graduation held on Feb 2009

Accomplishment

CHILDREN HOME

Chandana Girls Children home Jharkhand

Day care Children in Khergam, Gujarat

Chandana Boys Children home Jharkhand

New Children home under construction

Children home in Peith, Maharashtra State

Khergam Children Home

CHURCH BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Rt. Rev. Sunil Singh, Bishop laying foundation stone at Fathehabad, Haryana. First Church building in this district

People are laying the foundation for above church

Temporary Church used by Damacol Congregation

First Church dedicated at Damacol, in Jharkand State

Interior of Temporary Church Building at Damacol

RETREAT

Annual regional retreat cum training for Evangelists and Missionaries held at Khergam, Gujarat. Though India is one nation people speak different languages. So we have regional retreats and training programs.

Accomplishment

TRADITIONS

Uplat, Maharasthra Traditional welcome to the visitors

Welcome by Malto group with their Traditional attire

Feet washing by Malto people in Jharkand as welcome to visitors

Kukna tribal traditional welcome - Gujarat

Traditional welcome by Currency notesGarland, Fathehabad

Accomplishment